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The Strobe

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FSC Chosen as Site for Radioactive Waste Dump

by Raoul Grady

What would you do with 40,000 tons of spent fuel from nuclear power plants? Well, by the year 2000, unless a comprehensive system of disposal is formulated, you may start finding some of this waste accumulating on your doorstep.

So what is the answer to this dilemma? Officials from Washington think placement at Fitchburg State College is the solution.

According to a spokesman from the US Energy Department, Fitchburg State College "meets all the requirements of a nuclear waste dump."

The Campus Representation of Atomic Power (CRAP) seemed to reflect the tone voiced by the energy department. Specifically, CRAP member Janet DeWielden cited "ideal placement and burial of nuclear waste at FSC is not only safe, but also timely considering the problems the nation faces with waste disposal."

But is waste disposal really as safe as officials make it sound? Marine Biologist Timothy Toejam doesn't think so. "If you bury nuclear waste at FSC," he said, "what's next? McDonalds, the YMCA who knows how far it will go."

Three FSC students, showing the effects toxic waste has on the complexion, have vowed to remain linked to protest the harm nuclear waste has on people.

"I think it's extremely unsafe to store nuclear waste here," said FSC freshman Scotty Handbrake. CRAP president Katrina Kowpoop exemplified the division in the student body by arguing the point with Handbrake. "If placement is done in an orderly and safe manner", Kowpoop said, "there shouldn't be any problems."

Who is right? Should waste disposal require more stringent guidelines? Should FSC become the host of deadly nuclear waste? Do green striped ties clash with blue pin-striped suits? The answers to these questions may never be found. For the students of FSC, the only solution may be moving to Kalgoorie, Australia.

Alarms Go Unanswered

by Jiminy G. Salesman

FSC officials confirmed reports that four fire alarms had gone off over the course of last weekend, and that the Fitchburg Fire Department showed up for none of them.

Asked to comment on this fact one senior at FSC stated "What's so outrageous about that? Students at FSC sleep through alarms going off all the time ... alarm clocks that is." One freshman, who asked not to be identified for fear of retribution, asked "Are they supposed to show up at fire alarms? I'm not sure."

A spokesman for the Fire Department offered no explanation for his men staying home other than to say "We thought it was another false alarm prank, besides how could a ten story building, made almost entirely out of cement blocks, burn down anyway?"

The assistant fire chief asked "If someone woke you up at two in the morning to tell you to put out a cement building that was on fire would you go, or would you roll over and go back to sleep?"

President Haha has launched a formal protest with Fitchburg Mayor Burnyard Charcoal and the Fitchburg Fire Department. When asked to comment on President Haha's calls to the Fire Department its spokesman claimed he never got the message.

All parties involved have pledged to work to avoid a reoccurance of last weekend's problems. Fitchburg's Fire Department spokesman concluded that he thought the Fire Department would have more incentive to answer alarms "if every now and then a real fire was going on."

G-Lobby Keg Party Approved

by May Leaf

After several weeks of debate between the administration and the Student Government Association, FSC President Winny Haha has approved an end-of-the-year keg party in G-Lobby slated for May 9.

An unlimited supply of beer will be provided by local liquor stores and paid for through free cash in the SGA budget. Alcohol will be served between 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. and entertainment will include a concert by the Stompers and a performance by comedian Joe Piscopo.

Five policemen will be available to monitor activity. However, police will not be checking for identification. SGA members will give out wristbands to identify underage students. Administration and faculty are welcome to join the festivity as well as guests outside of the college.

SGA President Rave McNugget expects approximately 1,000 people to attend. However, McNugget feels the Campus Center can hold the expected crowd without any major problems. All of the conference rooms, the lecture hall, commuters cafe, pub and library lounge will be open to the public.

"This is something we've needed for a long time," said McNugget. "Students should be able to party without the axe falling on them and without administration at their doorsteps. This is the moment that FSC students have been waiting for."

Although the changing of the off-campus student regulation, in which students who are in trouble with the state/local law can be in trouble with the school, has not been approved, Haha feels this is an excellent way to release some of the pressure.

"Life's a party so let's celebrate for a day. But, for only a day. I realize students are having problems with the off-campus regulation but as they say, 'It's for their own good.' I will consider changes in the regulation but I will not eliminate it completely," said Haha at a recent SGA meeting.

Other administrators have similar feelings on the matter. However, Vice President of Student Affairs Don Ricklers believes the G-Lobby

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FSC to be Replaced by Casino

by Leroy Jagger

The Caesers Hotel chain has announced their purchase of Fitchburg State College and has completed plans for their multi-functional Las Vegas style gambling resort. The sale was finalized after months of bargaining between FSC officials and the Las Vegas mob who are the chief stock holders in the Caesers corporation.

"At first I was shocked that they even bothered to buy us out," said a member of the school administration, "but then some of the boys from Vegas came out to visit us and they promised us all jobs if we signed on the dotted line. How could I refuse that?"

The administrator justified his actions by claiming to be tired of making decisions and enforcing discipline. He claims throwing a silver ball onto a spinning roulette wheel was his original career intention.

Members of the Caesers Syndicate expressed enthusiasm over the purchase which was reportedly in the eight digit range.

Mario Sullivan, designer of the conversion plans and patent holder of the Las Vegas style flashing billboard, said his corporation had their eyes on this property for quite some time.

"I'll never forget the first time we flew over Fitchburg," Sullivan explained. "We were on our way to Cape Cod to see about buying it to use as a drag strip when my boss looked out his window and saw the college. 'Look Mario' he said pulling my head to his window. I couldn't believe it. From the air, Fitchburg State looked just like a Black Jack table. We hadn't seen anything like it since we were flying over New Jersey and spotted that town that looked like a pile of spilled $100 dollar poker chips."

Sullivan's blueprints for the complex, which is rumored to be called Las Atlantic Fichburg, show a number of changes for FSC. The G-Lobby and Hammond Building will remain the center of activity but as a multi-level casino, each floor holding a different game of chance. The other buildings will be converted to cabaret lounges or will be hollowed out and enlarged for arena size entertainment halls.

An obvious conversion will be the dorms to hotels. Aubuchon and Russell each will receive a facelift to the form of stacked poker chips. Herlihy will be painted pink and, in an effort to bridge the gap between Fitchburg and Las Vegas, turned into the first East Coast bordello.

Renovations are expected to start in June. Present students will be compensated with their choice of a scholarship to Harvard or a job at the center.

FEATURES

Woman Becomes First Human Ink Blot

by Sal Tree

Sandra Mooey is an attractive thirty-two year old professional eye brow shaper. Her work has allowed her many luxuries: a condo at the beach, a Mercedes and a compact disc player in every closet.

But Sandra's greatest accomplishment landed her a permanent place between the pages of psychology textbooks, literally. Sandra Mooey has become the first human ink blot.

"I thought ink blots needed some revitalizing," Sandra said. "They were becoming boring...ink blots hadn't changed in years. Birds, trees, houses on fire and phalic symbols were dominating the market."

Sandra remedied her dissatisfaction by creating ink blots of her own. She started blotting parts of her body and, after realizing their unique attraction, sent some to ink blot manufacturers. In return she received silence.

"Nothing came from my pieces until I tried to blot my whole leg on the back of some wrapping paper. That pattern blew me away. It looked like a cross section of an El Dorado. I thought to myself, if this doesn't sell nothing will."

And Sandra was right. Response from her leg was phenomenol. Ink blotters around the world became excited over this new wave in blotting and Sandra wasn't going to let them down. On receiving word that her piece was a hit she started work on her coup de grat-ink blotting her whole body.

Setting up the stunt wasn't hard. She used two king size bed sheets sewn at the seems and attached between the floor and wall at a ninety degree angle. Next came her favorite part: covering herself with the paint. She describes the experience as "real sensual but even better if you have somebody do it for you." Clothes have to be left off because they absorb the paint creating blank spots in the blot.

After she is covered from head to toe she prints the blot. To do this she stands against the wall and holds the two corners attatched to the wall. She then falls face first onto the sheet on the floor unattaching the sheet behind her from the wall. Landing on her face usually knocks her out but she doesn't mind because she has to lay between the sheets anyway to make the print so she says she might as well be unconscious.

When she comes to she sits herself up and spreads the sheet out its full length allowing her to get up without disturbing her design. She spends the next several days soaking in her tub letting the paint dissolve off her body.

"I can't tell you what a satisfying experience it is doing this," Sandra says looking through two black eyes, the result of a broken nose from falling face first three days ago.

Strobe File Photo

DAKA is Good Food

by Ted McGoo

The biggest complaint from students heard on campus is "DAKA food is horrible!" I don't see this as being the case.

At breakfast, for example, they have a variety of cereals, bagels, toast, and eggs. How can anyone complain when that egg juice just seeps through your teeth. And how about those hashbrowns? McDonalds could learn from them!

Then there's lunch. They serve turkey, bologna, ham, tuna fish, and their hot meals are just scrumptious! The pastrami tastes fresh off the pig, and the fish is so fresh I would swear sometimes I've seen it jump, or at least move a little.

Of course no one could put down dinner at DAKA. Hamburgers, hamburgers, and more hamburgers, and they serve them *two* different ways. The traditional "bloodyburger" and the "whoops, are they still in the oven" burger.

The DAKA hotdog cuisine is unbeatable. They're especially great when they still have some ice in them. It gives them that special DAKA crunch.

After reviewing these pertinent facts, one hopes the FSC students can begin to see DAKA in a more positive light.

On My Mind: Who Really Cares?

by Scott-Free

The following is a bizarre collection of thoughts that, if nothing else, will lead you to ask the question-"Who really cares?"

The Reagan presidency has turned the White House into a B-movie. I feel like I'm watching a low budget "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington."

The "Love Boat" just doesn't seem the same knowing that Gopher Smith went to Washington.

When they get around to making a movie about the Iran-Contra arms scandal, and you know they will, it should be titled *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to an Arms Sale.*

As you stare into your plate of DAKA land food do you wonder how "Duke of Rib" got its name?

Do you get upset when a young criminal type is intimidated by a run down dectective like Barnaby Jones?

Would you really want to eat a raisin that can sing and dance to "I heard it though the Grapevine?"

Do you still choose the cereal you eat by the prize they offer inside?

My favorite Batman and Robin was when they were going to be turned into giant snowcones by Mr. Freeze.

What's really happening when a station tells you they are experiencing technical difficulties.

Well, enough perplexing questions to ponder for one week. In the immortal words of Porky Pig, "That's all folks!" See you on the dark side of the moon, but of course we know there really is no dark side of the moon. As a matter of fact, its all dark.

Winnie With Hair?

by Ikkin Enyak

Latest figures reveal that someone has been buying out large quantities of stock in The Hair Club For Men. The owner (and customer) claimed that a full-fledged investigation was made to find out who was taking this sudden interest.

Then, in January of this year, Winnie Haha was announced as this person. Supposedly, in May after FSC's Spring Semester 1987 , he planned to go in himself for a hair transplant. When interviewed about this, he replied, "I'm sick of being bald!" Mr. Haha's intentions were to add approximately a full head of hair to the now balding skull.

Yet, another question rises dealing with his purchasing of stocks - where that money came from. According to the stockmarket, each share goes at around $150. When asked how he financed this major expense, Haha gave no comment saying that he had a right not to reveal how he afforded them. There is no word of an investigation, yet the IRS has announced that they do plan to audit Haha.

Man Possessed by Laughing Hyena

by Leroy Jagger

A man's body has been taken over by the spirit of his pet laughing hyena according to eye witness reports.

"It's weird," says a friend. "He used to be so serious, just walking his hyena and playing chess all day, but since the animal died I've seen him chasing cats on all fours."

Harold Quint is the accused man/animal. He is a certified postal worker who, friends say, could usally be seen eating meals on his porch with his pet. The hyena, named Fahey, lived with him for tweleve years after Quint brought him back from an African saffari. Now that the animal is dead he's not living with his master, he's living in his master.

Neighbor's reports on Quint's strange activities are similar. They complain of loud piercing laughter comming from the house keeping them awake and keeping them afraid.

A fellow postal worker who used to play chess with Quint tells of a recent visit to his house. "I rang his bell and I heard this barking and scratching from the other side of the door. I assumed it was Fahey but when I walked in Quint was on all fours. He chased me through his yard and bit the seat off my pants."

Priests and members of the clergy are expected to visit Quint to determine if an exorcisim is in order.

Harold Quint in public laughing like a hyena.

Manson to Join the Staff at FSC

Brainchild Genesee

Former mass murderer Charles Manson will be teaching at FSC next semester. Manson who received his Phd. through a correspondance course while in prison is excited about the prospects that his new teaching position will offer. Dr. Manson was quoted as saying "I'm really excited about this, I think that we're all going to be one big happy family."

Linny Cabaret, director of student affairs, suggested that Manson be freed from prison on a trial basis. Prison officials were more than happy to comply, saying that Manson is a prime example of the effectiveness of the country's penal system. Cabaret was quoted as saying "we've got pruchopaths, hypochondriacs and transvestites working here, so why not a murderer."

Dr. Manson will be a welcome addition to the behavioral science department where he'll be teaching the courses psychology of murder, introduction to mass hysteria and advanced mutilation.

The communications department is also considering hiring a murderer. Subway gunman Bernard Goetz is being concidered for teaching next fall's message design class. Goetz who is already writing his syllabus was quoted as saying " there will be no tardiness and all absences will be permanent."

Charles Manson joins the staff at FSC.

Sexual Revolution

by MiMi Lebar

Due to the latest sexual revolution there will be a new law being put into effect as of today. Before entering any social club, night club or bar you must be checked not only for a positive I.D. but you must be carrying a condom.

You will be checked no matter what your age or marital status may be. It is believed that this law will help prevent social disease and unwanted pregnancy. Many people have been turned away from the area bars because of their unawareness of the law.

Students at F.S.C. are concerned about where they will obtain their condoms. Unfortunately, there has been a problem with the condoms obtained from the Student Health Services in that they are breaking, and/or have an odor of gasoline. It seems as though the students of F.S.C. are not taking the law seriously and are blowing the condoms into balloons causing disturbances in the bars. There have also been a few small explosions which seem to be related to the condoms smelling of gasoline.

More precautions will be taken from now on and there have been no complaints from the people in the Fitchburg area.

Police check for required condoms.

Keg Party Approved

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party will undermine the negotiations administration has been working on with the city.

"We need to encourage orderliness and community relations not a beer-busting fiasco. I know the students have been under a lot of pressure and I can understand that. This is not going to help us look better in the communities eyes. We need another solution," said Ricklers, who did not offer one to the current partying problem.

Despite the controversy, Haha said he is overriding the administration and allowing students to "be themselves" for a day. For the finale of the festivities, Haha said he will funnel 20 cups of beer and say the Pledge of the Allegiance backwards as a sign of "good will" to the students.

Only a fool would do that.

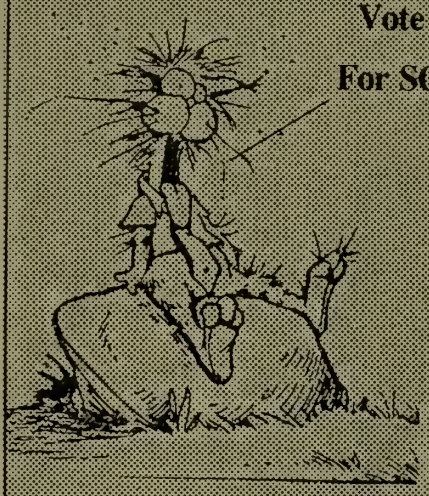
ELMO ISLAND

MY DAD LIKES TO HUNT WITH A MACHINE GUN.

Bill the Cat Says-

Vote Pat Mack

For SGA President



Opus Says-

Vote Ben Hampton

SGA Vice President

1987 Meadow Party Candidates

Objects of the Week

"Tunnel of the Week"
Edgerly Tunnel gets this weeks honors.

"Mop of the Week"
... and this goes without mention

"Stairs of the Week"
Does anyone use these?

"Empty Mailbox of the Week"
This box belongs to Teenee Butcher. Feel free to send her mail.

Strobe Photos by Kathy Moore

"Chair of the Week"

This chair can be found at the bottom of the stairs in Thompson Hall.

"Can you help these?"

This speaks for itself...

"Trash Can of the Week"

This receptacle can be visited outside the commuter's cafe.

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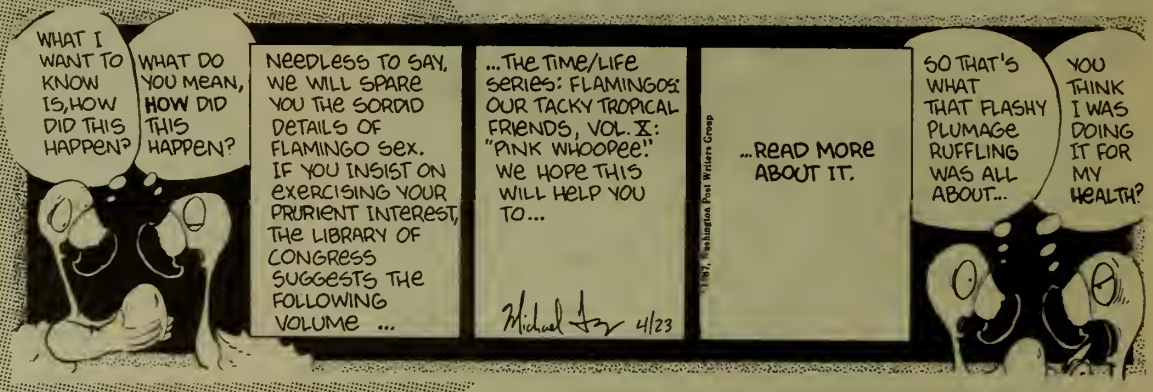
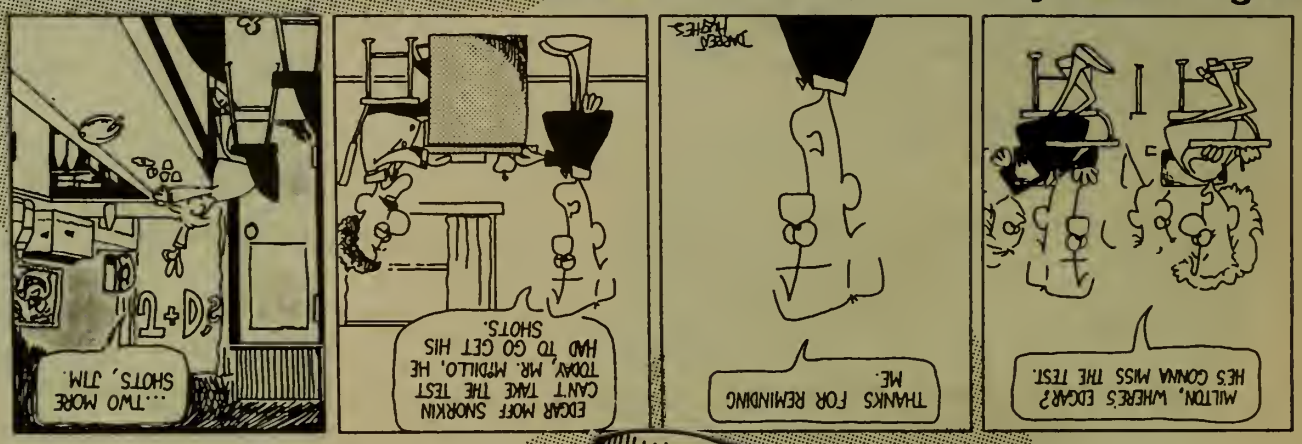
CHEEVERWOOD

by Michael Fry



Snorkin: Portrait of a Less Than Average Guy

by Darren Hughes



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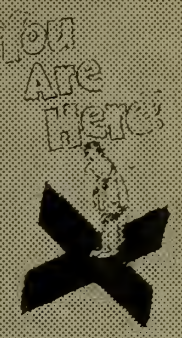

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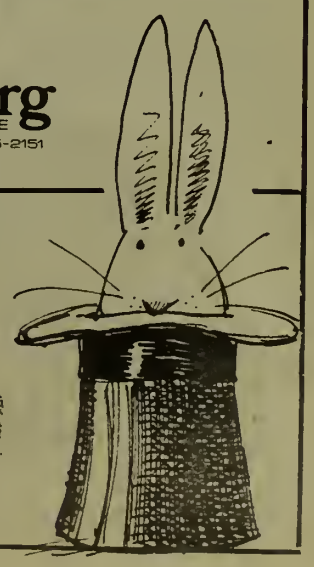


April Fools

SPORTS

The Virtues of Golfing

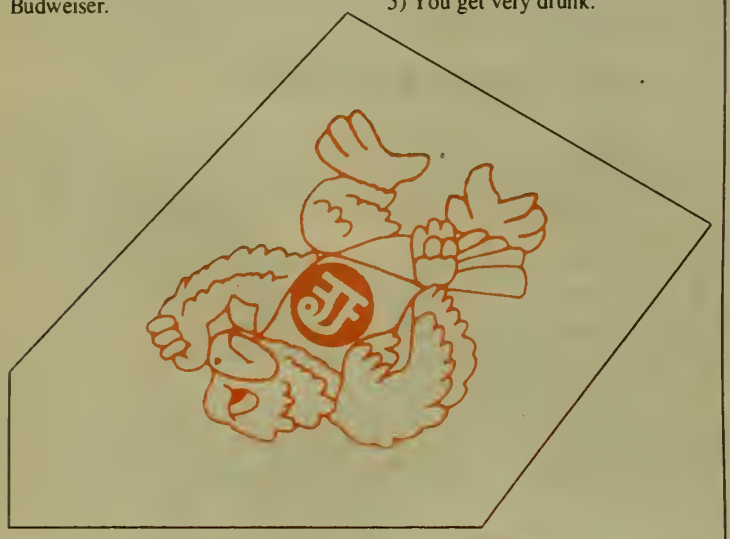
by Ted McGoo

Many people misunderstand the game of golf. Granted, for some, watching Jack Nicklaus, Lee Trevino, or Greg Norman on TV may not be their idea of a great Sunday afternoon, but they should try getting out on the course for themselves.

You don't need to know how to play the game to enjoy it. There are many advantages of going golfing with three of your closest buddies, but before getting into that its important to list those things you need to do before you go out golfing.

1) Rent out *Caddyshack* for your VCR the night before.
2) Try to get your own clubs.
3) Purchase 3 or 4 cases of Budweiser.
4) Purchase a bucket.
5) When on the course, tell yourself "I am Bill Murray."
6) Reserve an automatic caddy. (You may not be standing by the 18th hole)
7) The losers at every hole must down a full beer before continuing.
8) Mandatory: One gulp before each swing.
9) Let people pass you on the course.
10) Bring toilet paper.
11) Aim for the clubhouse on the ninth hole.

Now for the advantages:
1) You get very drunk.
2) You needn't worry about your handicap.
3) You get very drunk.
4) You are in the sun.
5) You get very drunk.



Horseshoe Team Abolished

by Biff Barf

Rocked by drug scandal and repeated illegal alumni recruiting violations, the NCAA (National Communists Against Athletes) abolished the FSC horseshoe team for the 1987-88 school year.

"I'm disappointed," coach Ima DaPusha said at a press conference announcing the decision. "I thought I covered myself well. Uh, I mean, I had no idea this was going on."

According to the NCAA, the Pitching Falcons broke 2,643,871.5 rules. Among the violations were illegal drugs, alumni payments to athletes, bad grammar, bad breath, jaywalking, DWI, cross checking, and bad table manners.

The NCAA first started investigating the team when team captain George "Ringer" Smith checked into the Jane Jetson rehabilitation center for addiction to Flintstone chewables and St. Joseph's aspirin. Smith was also rumored to have experimented with candy cigarettes. Smith was able to finance this $15.63 a week habit with illegal payments from alum Joshua Cheapskate. Cheapskate has been known to pay players on the team with gifts such as money, trips to Gardner and giving them unicycles.

The Pitching Falcons aren't the first Division LCMXXIV team to have a sport abolished. Two years ago Slippery Rock Teachers College lost its badminton team indefinitely when it was learned that explosives were planted in the Fighting Educator's opponent's shuttlecocks. This was a big blow to the program, as the team's 987 game win streak was stopped.

Pete Cardinal

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Mike Quiltey

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